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1. Israelis make known their territorial demands--US representative Ethridge in Lausanne has been told by Israeli delegate Eytan that Israel will not only present to the Palestine Conciliation Commission a demand that it retain all territory now under its control (with possible minor rectifications), but will also demand additional territory in north-central Palestine now occupied by Jordan. Eytan also told Ethridge that Israel will do nothing more about the Arab refugees now. Ethridge comments that: (a) the Lausanne Conference is likely to break up when the Arabs know Israel's position; (b) neither side seems ready for peace; (c) there seems little likelihood that Israel's demands will be modified; and (d) unless Israel modifies its demands, there is no possibility of peace on any basis heretofore envisioned by the US.

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